

PATENT

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Present Application:

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ICE/CED-3 FAMILY OF CYSTEINE PROTEASES  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

✓ Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field"  
as follows: